

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



EXAMPLE A

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR AN AIR QUALITY PERMIT

PROPOSED PERMIT NUMBER: 139561

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. TEXAS LNG BROWNSVILLE LLC, 2800 North Loop West Suite 910, Houston, Texas 77092-8838, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Proposed Air Quality Permit Number 139561, which would authorize construction of a LNG export terminal located east from Brownsville on State Highway 48. The applicant provided the following directions to the site: From the intersection of State Highway 48 and State Highway 550 continue on State Highway 48 for 12.2 miles, the gate to the location is on the right, Brownsville, Cameron County, Texas 78521. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on March 24, 2016. The proposed facility will emit the following contaminants: nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, organic compounds, particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less, sulfur dioxide, and hazardous air pollutants, including, but not limited to hydrogen sulfide.

The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit which, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision to issue the permit because it meets all rules and regulations. The permit application, executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Harlingen regional office, and at the Port Isabel Public Library, 213 Yturria Street, Port Isabel, Cameron County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review at the TCEQ Harlingen Regional Office, 1804 West Jefferson Avenue, Harlingen, Texas.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting for this application. You may submit public comments on this application or request a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application.

The public meeting will consist of two parts, an Informal Discussion Period and a Formal Comment Period. During the Informal Discussion Period, the public is encouraged to ask questions of the applicant and TCEQ staff concerning the application. However, informal comments made during the Informal Discussion Period will not be considered by the TCEQ Commissioners before reaching a decision on the permit and no formal response will be made to the informal comments. During the Formal Comment Period, members of the public may state their formal comments into the official record. A written response to all formal comments will be prepared by the Executive Director and considered by the Commissioners before they reach a decision on the permit. A copy of the response will be sent to each person who submits a formal comment or who requested to be on the mailing list for this application and who provides a mailing address. Only relevant and material issues raised during the formal comment period can be considered if a contested case hearing is granted.

**The Public Meeting is to be held:
Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 7:00 pm
The Historic Brownsville Museum
641 E. Madison St.
Brownsville, Texas 78520**

You may submit additional written public comments within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice in the manner set forth in the AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION paragraph below.

After the deadline for public comment, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all public comment. **The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application.**

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court. A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. A contested case hearing request must include the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "I/we request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility; and (7) a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period. If the request is made by a group or association, one or more members who have standing to request a hearing must be identified by name and physical address. The interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 30 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below.

A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law that are relevant and material to the Commission's decisions on the application. The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. Issues that are not submitted in public comments may not be considered during a hearing.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. A timely hearing request has been received by the TCEQ. However, if all timely contested case hearing requests have been withdrawn and no additional comments are received, the executive director may issue final approval of the application. The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application, and will be posted electronically to the Commissioners' Integrated Database (CID). If all timely hearing requests are not withdrawn, the executive director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and requests to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled commission meeting.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE. When they become available, the executive director's response to comments and the final decision on this application will be accessible through the Commission's Web site at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid. Once you have access to the CID using the above link, enter the permit number for this application which is provided at the top of this notice. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application.

<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=26.040833&lng=-97.2325&zoom=13&type=r>

MAILING LIST. You may ask to be placed on a mailing list to obtain additional information on this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you communicate with the TCEQ electronically, please be aware that your email address, like your physical mailing address, will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from TEXAS LNG BROWNSVILLE LLC at the address stated above or by calling Mr. David Glessner, General Manager Permitting at (713) 820-9607.

Persons with disabilities who need special accommodations at the public meeting should call the Office of the Chief Clerk at (512) 239-3300 or 1-800-RELAY-TX (TDD) at least one week prior to the meeting.

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